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For: VEHICLE PEDAL DEVICE WHEREIN NON-OPERATED POSITION OF OPERATING
PORTION IS ADJUSTABLE IN LONGITUDINAL DIRECTION OF VEHICLE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2003, having a shortened period for response set to expire on March 1, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.